

CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt a resolution supporting the statewide adoption of the International Codes published by the International Code Council

MEETING DATE: June 18, 2003

PREPARED BY: Fire Chief and Community Development Director


RECOMMENDED ACTION: That Council support the adoption statewide of the International Codes by a resolution and forward Lodi's support to various statewide enforcement agencies.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The California Building Standards Commission is scheduled to select the construction codes for California in July 2003. The Uniform Building Code and Uniform Fire Code have served as the code books for over 40 years in fire and 75 years in building. Upon conclusion of the present code cycle they will no longer be in publication and will not be considered. Two codes will be considered, the International Code Council (ICC) and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). An evaluation process has taken place and support of the International Code has been given by the California League of Cities, California Building Officials, Fire Chiefs Department of the League of California Cities, Fire Prevention Officers Section of the California Fire Chiefs Association, American Institute of Architects, California Building Industry Association, National Association of Home Builders, International City Managers Association and many other professional and industry organizations. The California League of Cities conducted a survey of their membership with the results supporting the ICC in excess of 85% of Fire Chiefs and 88% of Building Officials supporting the ICC. The NFPA codes support was 2.22% of Fire Chiefs and 0% of Building Officials supporting the NFPA codes. The remainder was undecided.

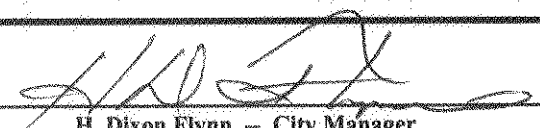
The Fire Chief, Fire Marshal, Community Development Director, Building Official and City Manager of Lodi are in agreement the International Code will serve the State of California in the safest, most efficient method and provide a smoother transition to both the public and governmental officials.

FUNDING: None


Michael E. Pretz
Fire Chief


Konradt Bartlam
Community Development Director

APPROVED: _____


H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-106

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LODI SUPPORTING THE STATEWIDE ADOPTION
OF THE INTERNATIONAL CODES PUBLISHED BY THE
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the codes published by the International Conference of Building Officials (ICBO) have been successful in ensuring a high level of public health, safety, and welfare in building construction for the citizens of California for over 70 years; and

WHEREAS, the three major model code organizations including ICBO joined to consolidate into the International Code Council (ICC) and produce the ICC International Codes as a single set of building and fire safety codes for nationwide and international use instead of three; and

WHEREAS, one or more of the ICC International Codes are used in 46 states, the District of Columbia, and by federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, adopting the ICC International Codes with nationwide usage is necessary to maintain a competitive economic environment for business and housing in the State of California and in the City of Lodi; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the ICC International Codes has been endorsed by leading building industry groups and professional organizations, including:

- National Association Home Builders (NAHB)
- California Building Industry Association (CBIA)
- Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA)
- National Apartment Association
- National Multi-Housing Council
- International City Managers Association (ICMA)
- American Institute of Architects (AIA)
- Fire Prevention Officers (FPO's) Section of the California Fire Chiefs Association (CFCA)
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WHEREAS, the ICC International Codes are developed through an open, inclusive, and balanced process that ensures the participation of all interested parties while maintaining the final determination of code provisions beyond the control of vested and proprietary interests and with Building and Fire Code Officials dedicated to the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare in our community; and

WHEREAS, the accessibility provisions in the ICC International Codes have been developed to comply with federal American with Disabilities Act and are approved as a safe harbor for complying with federal Fair Housing Act Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions, such as the City of Lodi, are responsible for enforcing building and fire codes for approximately 95% of the buildings in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions should have commensurate participation in the decision as to which codes for building and fire life safety are adopted in the State of California on behalf of our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby resolve:

1. To declare its support for adoption of the ICC International Codes for all building and fire safety codes by the California Building Standards Commission for use in the State of California and the City of Lodi; and
2. To direct the City Clerk to forward this resolution to Governor Gray Davis, California State Fire Marshal, and the California Building Standards Commission; and
3. To direct the City Clerk to forward this resolution to the League of California Cities, California Building Officials, California Fire Chiefs Association, International Code Council, and other appropriate governmental and private organizations for the purpose of encouraging adoption of the ICC International Codes; and
4. To direct the City Manager, Fire Chief, Fire Marshal and Chief Building Official to represent the citizens of Lodi in the pursuit, to the greatest extent possible, of the adoption of the ICC International Codes for use in the State of California and the City of Lodi.

Dated: June 18, 2003

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2003-106 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held June 18, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Hansen, Howard, Land, and
Mayor Hitchcock

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk

2003-106



DECLARATION OF MAILING

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE STATEWIDE ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CODES PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL

On June 19, 2003, in the City of Lodi, San Joaquin County, **California**, I deposited in the United States mail, envelopes with first-class **postage prepaid thereon**, containing a Resolution supporting the Statewide adoption of the International Codes **published** by the International Code Council, marked Exhibit "A"; said envelopes were **addressed** as is more particularly shown on Exhibit "B" attached hereto.

There is a regular daily communication by mail between the City of Lodi, California, and the places to which said envelopes were addressed.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on June 19, 2003, *at* Lodi, California.

ORDERED BY:

**SUSAN BLACKSTON
CITY CLERK, CITY OF LODI**

ORDERED BY

JACQUELINE L. TAYLOR
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

JENNIFER M. PERRIN
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

PATRICIA OCHOA
ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK

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ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

The foregoing document is certified to be a correct copy of the original on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Jennifer M. Perrin
Deputy City Clerk, City of Lodi


SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk

By: 
Dated: 6/19/03

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EXHIBIT B

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